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MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE
ON
WORKFORCE AND TALENT DEVELOPMENT

Thursday, May 19, 2016 10:30 a.m. Room 519 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Workforce and Talent Development was called to order by Chairman Johnson.

Members present: Reps. Johnson, Tedder, Farrington, Price, Lauwers, Crawford, Iden, Brett Roberts, Howell, Brinks, Townsend, Geiss, Greig, Liberati and Love.
Members absent/excused: None.

Representative Tedder moved to adopt the minutes of April 28, 2016. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

Chairman Johnson laid before the committee a presentation by Stephen Rapundalo, President and CEO of MichBio.

Stephen Rapundalo and Loretta Cypkin Dubnay, representing MichBio, gave a presentation to the committee. Questions and discussion followed.

Chairman Johnson laid the following bill before the committee:

HB 5463 (Lyons) Education; curriculum; foreign language requirement; allow to be fulfilled by completion of computer coding courses.

Substitute (H-1) to HB 5463 was previously adopted on April 28, 2016.

The following people submitted testimony cards in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Allie Bush, representing the Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce.
Emily Laidlaw, representing the Michigan Association of Intermediate School Administrators.
Brad Biladeau, representing the Michigan Association of School Administrators.
Chris Glass, representing West Michigan Talent Triangle.

Jason Mancini, representing Education Trust Midwest, submitted a testimony card in opposition to the bill, but did not wish to speak.

Representative Greig offered the following amendment to HB 5463, as substitute (H-1):

1. Amend page 4, line 23, by striking out all of subsection (2) and inserting:
"(2) In addition to the requirements under subsection (1), beginning with pupils entering

grade 3 in 2006, the board of a school district or board of directors of a public school academy shall not award a high school diploma to a pupil unless the pupil has successfully completed during grades K to 12 at least 2 credits, ~~that are grade appropriate~~ **AS DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT**, in a language other than English or **THE PUPIL HAS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED AT ANY TIME DURING GRADES K TO 12** course work or other learning experiences that are substantially equivalent to 2 credits in a language other than English, based on guidelines developed by the department. ~~For pupils who graduate from high school in 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, or 2021 only, a pupil may partially or fully fulfill 1 credit of this requirement by completing a department approved formal career and technical education program or curriculum or by completing visual or performing arts instruction that is in addition to the requirements under subsection (1)(a)(iv).~~ The board of a school district or board of directors of a public school academy is strongly encouraged to ensure that all pupils complete at least 1 credit in a language other than English in grades K to 6. For the purposes of this subsection, all of the following apply:

- (a) American sign language is considered to be a language other than English.
- (b) The pupil may ~~meet~~ **SATISFY** all or part of this requirement with online course work."

Representative Greig explained the amendment. Questions and discussion followed.

Representative Greig moved to adopt the amendment for HB 5463, as substitute (H-1). The amendment to HB 5463 as substitute (H-1) was not adopted, the vote being 6-9-0.

UNFAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Brinks, Townsend, Geiss, Greig, Liberati and Love.

Nays: Reps. Johnson, Tedder, Farrington, Price, Lauwers, Crawford, Iden, Brett Roberts, and Howell.

Pass: None.

Representative Crawford moved to adopt substitute (H-2) to HB 5463. The substitute (H-2) to HB 5463 was not adopted, the vote being 6-7-2.

UNFAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Crawford, Brinks, Townsend, Geiss, Greig and Liberati.

Nays: Reps. Johnson, Farrington, Price, Lauwers, Iden, Brett Roberts and Howell.

Pass: Reps. Tedder and Love.

Representative Tedder moved to report out HB 5463 with recommendation as substitute (H-1). The motion prevailed, the vote being 10-4-1.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Johnson, Tedder, Price, Lauwers, Crawford, Iden, Brett Roberts, Howell, Brinks and Geiss.

Nays: Reps. Townsend, Greig, Liberati and Love.

Pass: Rep. Farrington.

There being no further business before the committee, Chairman Johnson adjourned the meeting, the time being 11: 19 a.m.

Representative Joel Johnson, Chair

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